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(57) Abstract

Thixotropic basic calcium sulphonate comprising carbonating a mixture of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>4</sub> alcohol, a volatile organic hydrocarbon solvent, calcium oxide or calcium hydroxide, optionally water and a mixture of alkyl aryl sulphonic acids in which the distinction of the alkyl groups in the sulphonic acids span at least from C<sub>12</sub> to C<sub>24</sub>. Use of the mixture of alkyl aryl sulphonate acids enables production of improved thixotropic calcium sulphonate without the need for additional reaction promoter, the product is useful in anticorrosion coatings.